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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT

According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 2nd/October, through Sunday, 9th/October there were 205 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5B, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5V, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C6, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, DL, DU, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J6, JA, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH7K, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, S0, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T32, T5, T7, T8, T9, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TN, TR, TT, TU, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2V, VP5, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, YA, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZK1/s,ZL, ZP, ZS

*** PLEASE NOTE:** The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3B8, MAURITIUS

Five JA2 stations (JA2AAU, JA2AIC, JA2ATE, JR2FOR and JJ2KTY) are currently active as 3B8/homecall between now and October 13th. They will operate from different QTHs, so they may operate two stations on same band/mode at the same time. Activity will be on 80-10 meters, SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via their home callsign.

4X, ISRAEL

Operators Burt/W3GG, Mark/WD3I and Dov/4Z4DX will be active as 4X0G during the CQ WW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) as a Mutli-Single entry. QSL via W3GG.

5R, MADAGASCAR (IOTA Op)

Giovanni, I5JHW, will be active from Nosy Be Island (**AF-057**) now through October 19th, as 5R8HH. Activity will be on 40-10 meters SSB/RTTY. Over the past weekend he was very active on 15/10 meters SSB. Watch 21260 and 28495 kHz between 1100-1700z. QSL via his home callsign.

6Y & ZF, JAMAICA AND CAYMAN ISLAND

Kan, AB2RF, will be active from two Caribbean Islands this winter. Activity will be focused on the low bands and the digital modes. Look for him to be active as ZF2CJ from December 28th to January 1st and from Jamaica as 6Y5/AB2RF, January 2-4th. QSL both operations via AB2RF. Visit his Web for details at:

http://www.qsl.net/ab2rf/ZF&6Y.html

9M2, WEST MALAYSIA (Update)

Champ, E21EIC, will be active as 9M2/E21EIC for the CQ WW DX CW Contest (November 26-27th) on all bands. He informs OPDX that he will be there for one week, and his activity outside of the contest (before and after) will also be on the WARC bands. QSL via E21EIC.

ANTARCTICA NEWS

3rd Antarctic Activity Week (AAW). The "Worldwide Antarctic Program" (WAP) has announced that the 3rd AAW will be held February 20-26th, 2006. The AAW is a way to highlight worldwide interest in the Antarctica as a land of study, research and peace, with its main objective as knowing more about the icy Continent, as well as to share and promote initiatives among Hams, Antarctic hunters, World- Wide Antarctic enthusiasts and supporters. Visit the WAP Web page at:

http:// www.ddxc.net/wap

Bhagwati, **VU3BPZ**, continues to be very active from the **Indian Maitri Base (WAP IND-03)**, Antarctica, for the XXIV IAE (Indian Antarctic Expedition). He is generally around (+/- QRM) 21275 kHz after 1400z and 14280 kHz between 1700-2000z. Bhagwati is the Communication Officer at the Base and is there during their winter with a team of 25 people. They will stay at Maitri until the end of March 2006. QSL manager is VU3MKE. Please notice that the address on QRZ.com is incorrect. The new address is: Mr. Manoj Kumar Dhaka, Trupati Valley No 7, D-Lane, Kewal Vihar, DEHRADUN, Uttaranchal-24001, INDIA. His E-mail address is: **manojdhaka@yahoo.com**

Personal and researchers are ready to leave October 19th to participate in the **XXI Italian Antarctic Expedition**. They will be heading to the Italian base "**Mario Zucchelli Station**" (MZS) at **Terra Nova Bay** (near the U.S. McMurdo Base) in the Antarctica. Activity is expected again to begin in November and last through February 2006. The scheduled frequency is 14280 kHz (+/- QRM). More information is to follow and will be available on the WAP Web site listed above.

D4, CAPE VERDE

Alberto, IV3TAN, will be active as D44TD during the CQ WW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band entry. His band entry will be decided the day before the contest (possbily 15 or 20 meters). QSL via CT1EKF.

EX, KYRGYSTAN

Operators Jaak/ES1FB and Oleg/ES1RA will be active from Bishkek and Maili Suu, starting November 1st for 2 weeks. They will sign EX/homecall. QSL via their home callsign. Look for EX/ES1FB to be on LoTW.

HI, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

Hiro, JA6WFM/HI8, continues to be active but will go QRT October 26th and return home. Watch 40/20 meters CW/RTTY. QSL via JA6VU.

IOTA NEWS

EU-114. Remember to look for five members of the Purple Mug Team DX Group (PMTDXG) to activate the Island of Alderney, the most northernly island of the Channel Islands group, between Wednesday, October 12th, to Wednesday, October 19th. Activity will be on all HF bands, 6 meters, VHF APRS, VHF/UHF, SSB, and hopefully, some satellite activity. The team Members announced are: Carol/2E1DQZ, Russell/G5XW, Tim/M3SDE, Dave/G1OCN and Anthony/MW0JZE. Callsigns and QSL route(s) are: GU5XW via G5XW, GU1OCN via G5XW, MW0JZE via G5XW and MU3SDE via M3SDE. For more information, see individual callsigns on QRZ.com. Also, visit the PMTDXG Web page at:

http://www.pmtdxgroup.co.uk

NA-058. (Update) Tad, WF4W, informs OPDX that "all systems are go" for the trip to **Jekyll Island** at the end of the month. He will be there from October 26th through November 2nd. He states, "I should be set up and running on Wednesday, October 26th, by 7 or 8 p.m. I'd say tentatively, to look for me that evening from around 8 p.m. on 14.260, 18.128 and/or 7.230 (that is high enough that Generals can work me)." Tad plans to be fairly active on those frequencies (as well as the other IOTA SSB and CW frequencies) on Wednesday night, Thursday on and off all day/evening and Friday leading up to the CQWW SSB Contest. During the contest Tad states that he will probably be doing a mixture of calling CQ and hunting/pouncing. After the contest ends Sunday evening, Tad states that he will probably crash but will get back on the air on the same frequencies Monday and Tuesday. He will tear down Wednesday, November 2nd and head back home. Also, if anyone wants to set up a sked with him, outside of the contest, he suggests to E-mail him ahead of time at the following addresses:

WF4W@earthlink.net -or- ironbutttad@yahoo.com

Tad will do what he can to accommodate any requests. QSL via his home callsign, direct or via the Bureau.

SA-NEW. (Update) A group operators from Argentina who were expected to activate **Isla Escondida** in the **Chubut Province North Group**, has reportedly decided to postpone the DXpedition date because written official permission did not arrive. They didn't want to operate without this paper in their hands. They are still hoping that the Marine Authority will give them permission. Stay tuned for updates and watch:

http://www.ddxc.net/l95wi/

J48/SV8, GREECE (IOTA Op)

A Hungarian team will be active using J48 and SV8/homecall callsigns from Astris (KN20in), Thassos Island (EU-174), between October 28th and November 8th. They will operate on 80-10 meters, CW, SSB, BPSK31 and RTTY, using monoband dipoles, ground planes and a 3 element tribander Yagi. The callsigns to be used are:

J48RT - November 1-7th, 80m CW only in the HA-QRP Contest. QSL via HA6KNX.
J48NL - October 29-30th in the CQ-WW-DX SSB Contest. QSL via HA6NL.
J48PL - October 29-30th in the CQ-WW-DX SSB Contest. QSL via HA7PL.
J48JJ - November 5-6th in the Ukrainian DX Contest. QSL via HA7JJS.
J48PS - November 5-6th in the Ukrainian DX Contest. QSL via HA6PS.

They will also try to do something on 2 meters with 100W and an 11 element Flexa Yagi, and will take part in VHF (144MHz CW Marconi) Contest during November 5-6th. Outside of contest, operators will use their SV8/homecall callsigns. QSL via the HA QSL Bureau or direct to the operator's own address (via **(QRZ.com)**).

K7C QRT (KURE DXPEDITION)

The K7C DXpedition went QRT around at 1000z on October 5th. They made 52,113 QSOs with activity on 160-10 meters. QSOs per mode: CW - 27917, SSB -22334 and RTTY 1862. A preliminary summary is now available online at:

http://www.cordell.org/htdocs/KURE/KURE_pages/KURE_Preliminary_Summary.html

KG4, GUANTANAMO BAY

Noll, W9RN, will be active as KG4RN between October 24-31st. His activity will include the CQWW DX SSB Contest as a Single-OP/ Single-Band (40m) entry. Outside of the contest he will be active on 160-6 meters, including the WARC bands, on CW/SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

KG4, GUANTANAMO BAY (Cancellation/Rescheduled)

Operator Jose, N4BAA/KG4SB, reports that his trip to KG4 land for this month has been cancelled. Navy duties have him deploying to other parts of the world for the same period. He will, however, be active from Gitmo Cuba in January 2006 on all bands and modes.

KH2, GUAM

Look for two members of the Himeji DX Club from Japan to be active November 25-28th. Operators Tada/JA3PPH and Yoshi/JA3EGZ will sign KH2/JA3PPH and KH2/JA3EGZ, and they plan to make over 3000 QSOs. Activity will be mainly on 40-15 meters SSB, but they will also be on 160 meters with a 500W amplifier for the low band DXers. Also, KH2/JA3EGZ will be in the CQWW DX CW Contest as a Single-Op/All-Band Oceania entry, and he hopes to win. QSL both callsigns via JA3EGZ: Yoshikazu Mega, P.O. Box 6, Himeji, 670-8691 JAPAN.

KH6 BEACON UPGRADED

On Friday, October 7th, at approximately 2100z, the KH6WO Beacon located at BYU Laie,

Oahu, Hawaii, was upgraded adding the WARC frequencies 18.110 and 24.930 MHz to its transmitting beacon. The KH6WO trustee, John Peters, K1ER/KH6, KH6BZF and K7IHI assisted in re-programming the Northern California DX Foundation controller, driving a TS-50 transmitter adding these WARC frequencies to the existing beacon frequencies of 14.110, 21.150 and 28.200 MHz in Federal Communications Commission (FCC) compliance. Both Senator Daniel K. Inouye (D) Hawaii and Mr. Bill Cross, FCC Staffer at Washington, DC, were helpful in obtaining this FCC waiver to accomplish this upgrade. The Honolulu Amateur Radio Club (Oldest Amateur Radio Club in the islands) is the owner of KH6WO and maintains this beacon. Reception reports are encouraged and may be sent to trustee John Peters, K1ER/KH6. These WARC frequencies will assist other Amateurs world wide as to when these bands are open to Hawaii.

PJ4, NETHERLANDS ANTILLES

Operators OE2VEL, OE2GEN, OE9MON and DK1MM will be active from Bonaire Island between October 25th and November 1st. The Austrian and German team will be active in the CQWW SSB DX Contest as PJ4W and as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via DK1MM (direct or by the bureau). Outside the contest they will be active as PJ4/homecall. QSL via their home callsigns.

QSL INFO AND NEWS

ATTENTION FUTURE QSL MANAGERS! Paolo, IK3QAR, informs OPDX that he has created on his Web site a new section called "Manager Offered - Where DX meet Managers" in which any individual who wishes to become a QSL Manager or is willing to take more QSL duties for a DX station in need, can leave a message where to be contacted through the Web site. The Web page is at:

http://www.ik3qar.it/manager/mgroffer/

TOP 5 QSL MANAGER SURVEY (Next Month). John, K1XN, has sent out an early reminder to get you thinking about his annual "Top 5 QSL Manager Survey" that he conducts. This survey will start in the month of November and end in January of 2006. Results will be published in February of 2006. John states,

> "Again this year we will award the TOP 5 Managers from all the nominees a wall plaque or a date plate to previous winners. These plaques were really appreciated by those who received them last year. Donations from all DXers in any amount will be accepted to offset the cost of these plaque awards. PayPal will be the method of choice, but more info on that in the November news release. Please be thinking of the 5 managers that gave you outstanding service this year (2005). Remember, this is not a popularity survey but a performance survey."

Last year's winners are still posted on the Golist Web site at:
http://golist.net/

A4/G0RTN QSL STATUS. Gerry, G0RTN, expects to have all direct QSLs in the mail this week. As for bureau QSLs, Gerry states that he hasn't had a bureau delivery for over a year, and he is starting to get worried ... but he should be able to turn them around pretty quickly when they finally arrive.

CY9SS QSL STATUS. Robby, VY2SS, states (as of Sunday, October 9th): "The CY9SS QSL cards have not arrived yet from the European printer. They should be here shortly."

Toni, EA5RM, informs OPDX that the **CW5R** (**SA-039**) 2005 log has been uploaded to the LoTW.

GB0SM ONLINE LOG AVAILABLE. Tom, G0PSE, informs OPDX that thanks to the kind efforts of Doug/N6RT, the online log for GB0SM (IOTA **EU-011**) has been updated to include the 2005 DXpedition and is now available for checking at;

http://www.qsl.net/gb0sm

Please note that E-mail requests for a bureau QSL goes to: **g0pse@qsl.net**

Albert, K8SIX, President SEMDXA, reports, "If you worked **S79RRC/A or S79RRC/F** and are in the U.S. or Canada hold off on QSLing direct as Eugene asked me today if we can do the same arrangement as R0K. This is not cast in stone yet so please be patient. As soon as he returns we will discuss this further, but it appears as though myself, K8SIX, and Russ, VE6VK will be a drop point. We will collect the SASEs and any donations and forward the donations to him along with the list of those requesting a QSL. Once he sends a package of cards we will in turn forward them to you. So please hang tight, and Russ or I will make the announcement soon."

Darrell, AB2E, reports that all 18000 QSOs for **V26E (1993-1999)**, and 4000 QSOs for EI/AB2E (2004-2005) have been uploaded to LoTW. All bureau and direct cards via AB2E will still be answered.

QSL **ZS6CCY via OK1DOT**: Petr Gustab, P.O. Box 52, CESKY BROD, 282 01, Czech Republic. QSL cards received by bureau are answered via bureau. Cards received direct with a SAE and 1 USD/IRC will be answered directly (do not send old IRCs please).

RMA AWARD

The Russian Mountains Award (RMA) Web page is now available in English at:

http://www.mountain.ru/radio/rma/engl.shtml

SPECIAL EVENT

The official opening of the "South African Large Telescope", situated near Sutherland, will take place on November 10th. The Boland Amateur Radio Club will run a special event station with the callsign ZS1SALT from the SALT site. For security reasons, the station can only be operated on the time slot October 21-23rd. Activity will be on all HF bands. QSL cards can be sent direct, with the necessary return postage, to: ZS1SALT, PO Box 273, Strand, 7139, Republic of South Africa. Only direct QSLs with the required return postage will be answered. South African amateurs can make use of the electronic QSL service of the SARL to confirm contacts with ZS1SALT. For more information about the South African Large Telescope, visit the following Web page at:

http://www.salt.ac.za

SPECIAL EVENTS (Japan)

Look for special event station 8J6KNM to be active commemorating the "**Kyushu National Museum**" between now and November 27th. QSL via the JARL Bureau. KYM Web site is:

http:/www.kyuhaku.com/pr

Look for special event station **8N1C50A** to be active to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of Chofu City between now and November 30th. QSL via the JARL Bureau. The Chofu City Web site is:

http://www.city.chofu.tokyo.jp/English/English.html

Look for special event station **8N5ICT** to be active during the Regional Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Futurity Festa in Kagawa, Japan, now through Octboer 23rd. QSL via the JARL Bureau.

Look for special event station **8N380N** to be active until March 31st (2006), to celebrate the 80th anniversary of Nishinomiya City. QSL via the JARL Bureau.

Look for special event station **8J8K** to be active to celebrate the birth of the new Kushiro City between October 11-17th. QSL via the JARL Bureau. The Kushiro City Web is:

http://www.city.kushiro.hokkaido.jp/english

SX5, DODECANESE

Operators SV5FRD, SV5AZP, SV5FRB and SV5DDP will be active as SX5R in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest (October 29-30th) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via SV5FRD.

V6, MICRONESIA

Shoji, JA7HMZ (V63DX), will once again visit Pohnpei and be active as V6A between November 14-19th. Activity will be on all bands and modes. However, he plans to focus on 160m and RTTY this time. QSL via JA7AO.

XX9, MACAO

Misao/JJ1DWB and Hide/JM1LJS will be active during a short trip here starting around 0400z on November 4th until 1900z on November 5th. Operators will use a TS-570SG (100W output)and a non radial vertical antenna on 80-6 meters. Callsigns have not been issued yet, but operators will have their own callsign. QSL direct only via their home callsign. Watch for further updates on:

http://radio-dream.com/macau/

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The Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin now has a new FAX number.
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1-419-828-7791 (F A X only!)

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please send mail to me via " **kb8nw@arrl.net** "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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Unsubscribe: opdx-request@nshore.org Subject:unsubscribe

OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME (provided by John, K8YSE (k8yse@papays.com):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html

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http://www.papays.com/nodxa.html

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